

Markers and identifiers

1. 4th Declension is mainly [†]masculine, with only 4 common neuter nouns
2. Its thematic vowel is -u
3. Its genitive ending is -ūs

Ex. portus, -ūs, m. - port

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	<u>portus</u>	<u>portūs</u>
Genitive	<u>portūs</u>	<u>portuum</u>
Dative	<u>portui</u>	<u>portibus</u>
Accusative	<u>portum</u>	<u>portūs</u>
Abblative	<u>portu</u>	<u>portibus</u>

The following is the neuter form of declining:

Ex. cornu, -ūs, n. - horn

	<u>Singular</u>	<u>Plural</u>
Nominative	<u>cornu</u>	<u>cornua</u>
Genitive	<u>cornūs</u>	<u>cornuum</u>
Dative	<u>cornu</u>	<u>cornibus</u>
Accusative	<u>cornū</u>	<u>cornua</u>
Abblative	<u>cornū</u>	<u>cornibus</u>

* The following 4th declension nouns are feminine:

- manus, -ūs, f. - hand
- domus, -ūs, f. - house
- tribus, -ūs, f. - tribe
- acus, -ūs, f. - needle
- porticus, -ūs, f. - colonnade

† The following are the only common neuter nouns of the 4th declension:

- cornu, -ūs, n. - horn
- genu, -ūs, n. - knee
- veru, -ūs, n. - spit
- gelu, -ūs, n. - frost, ice, snow